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ON TRAVEL

REF: A. GENEVA 7316; B. STATE 220284; C. GENEVA 6174

- 1. THE TRAVEL TEXT TRANSMITTED IN REF (A) CONTINUES TO BE THE MOST VALID REFLECTION OF THE CURRENT STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT, BUT THE SOVIETS ARE SHOWING UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG RESISTENCE TO IT. THEY ARE SEEKING WAYS TO CUT STILL FURTHER THIS ALREADY LIMITED TEXT, WHICH IS NOW CONSIDERABLY MORE MODERATE THAN OUR ORIGINAL "MORE REALISTIC TEXT" (REFS B AND C). WE PLAN TO ENCOURAGE THE ALLIES TO HOLD TO THE PRESENT POSITION, AT LEAST FOR THE TIME BEING, UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED.
- 2. MEANWHILE ROMANIANS HAVE REVIVED THE FOLLOWING TEXT FOR AN ADDITION TO THE TRAVEL PAPER: QUOTE:
- TO STIMULATE EFFORTS AIMED AT THE CONCLUSION OF CONSULAR CONVENTIONS AND AT THE IMPROVEMENT OF THOSE IN FORCE;
- TO IMPROVE THE FRAMEWORK OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENTS WITH A VIEW TO ENSURING THE GRANTING OF LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO CONFIDENTIAL

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THEIR NATIONALS TRAVELLING IN A PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY;

END QUOTE.

3. NATO DELS HAD HOPED TO KILL THE ROMANIAN AMENDMENT, BUT THE UK HAS NOW PROPOSED THAT THE NATO GROUP OFFER TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING VERSION: QUOTE:

TO CONSIDER WAYS TO IMPROVE THE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO PERSONS TRAVELLING IN A PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY, WHERE APPROPRIATE THROUGH CONSULAR CONVENTIONS OR THROUGH MULTILATERAL OR BILATERAL AGREEMENTS ON LEGAL ASSISTANCE. END QUOTE.

4. WE SEE NO HARM IN THE REVISED UK-ROMANIAN PROPOSAL AND PLAN TO OFFER NO OBJECTION IF IT IS GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN NATO CAUCUS ON FEB 5. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE ROMANIANS WOULD ACCEPT THE COMPROMISE. DALE

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